

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (original) A loudspeaker enclosure which constitutes a humidity sensitive region and whose moisture content is arranged to be reduced by providing within the enclosure and/or gaseous communication therewith a heat source, the enclosure comprising passage means to enable the outward movement of gases therefrom when the heat source is operative.

2. (original) An enclosure which constitutes a humidity sensitive region and whose moisture content is arranged to be reduced by providing within the enclosure and/or in gaseous communication therewith a heat source, the enclosure comprising passage means to enable the outward movement of gases therefrom when the heat source is operative, the passage means comprising a tube having a bore narrow enough substantially to prevent diffusion of gases therethrough in the absence of a pressure differential between the interior of the enclosure and the ambient atmosphere.

3. (currently amended) ~~An~~ The enclosure according to claim 2, ~~which is wherein~~ the enclosure comprises a loudspeaker enclosure.

4. (currently amended) ~~An~~ The enclosure according to ~~any preceding claim 2~~, in which the heat source comprises one or more electrical resistors.

5. (currently amended) ~~An~~ The enclosure according to ~~any preceding claim 2~~, in which the heat source is cyclically operative.

6. (currently amended) ~~An~~ The enclosure according to claim 5, in which the heat source is cycled at intervals of hours.

7. (currently amended) ~~An~~ The enclosure according to ~~any preceding claim 2~~, ~~which includes~~ further comprising a dessicant.

8. (currently amended) ~~An~~ The enclosure according to ~~any preceding claim 2~~, in ~~which the enclosure includes~~ further comprising an adsorbent material which is or which has been treated to make it at least partially hydrophobic.

9. (currently amended) A method of controlling the moisture in a loudspeaker enclosure which constitutes a humidity sensitive region, ~~which comprises~~ comprising:
heating the gases within the enclosure or in gaseous communication therewith by a heat source; and

providing for the outward movement of gases from the enclosure when the heat source is operative.

10. (currently amended) A method of controlling the moisture in an enclosure which constitutes a humidity sensitive region, ~~which comprises~~ comprising:
heating the gases within the enclosure or in gaseous communication therewith by a heat source; and
providing, when the heat source is operative, for the outward movement of gases from the enclosure through a bore narrow enough substantially to prevent diffusion of gases therethrough in the absence of a pressure differential between the interior of the enclosure and the ambient atmosphere.

11. (currently amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 10, ~~in which~~ wherein the enclosure ~~is~~ comprises a loudspeaker enclosure.

12. (currently amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 10, ~~any of claims 9 to 11,~~ in which the heat source is cyclically operative.

13. (currently amended) ~~An~~ The enclosure according to claim 1, substantially as hereinbefore described with reference to the drawing in which the heat source comprises one or more electrical resistors.

14. (currently amended) ~~A method substantially as hereinbefore described with reference to the drawing~~ The enclosure according to claim 1, in which the heat source is cyclically operative.

15. (new) The enclosure according to claim 14, in which the heat source is cycled at intervals of hours.

16. (new) The enclosure according to claim 1, further comprising a dessicant.

17. (new) The enclosure according to any claim 1, further comprising an adsorbent material which is or which has been treated to make it at least partially hydrophobic.

18. (new) The method according to claim 9, in which the heat source is cyclically operative.